

Application No.: 10/643,707  
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**Amendments to the Specification:**

- 1.) At page 1, after the title of the invention, please delete the paragraph beginning with, "This application is a reissue of 09/272,916, filed March 19, 1999..." and ending with "...which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 to International Application No. PCT/US98/05615, filed March 23, 1998."

The above paragraph was entered in the instant application on May 15, 2006 (See Response to Rule 312 Communication dated May 23, 2006) and is currently pending as Applicant's amendments to the specification of November 20, 2006 were not entered. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the instant amendments comply with 37 CFR, 1.173(b)(1) in that the entire paragraph has been deleted by a statement deleting the paragraph without presentation of the text of the paragraph.

- 2.) At page 1, after the title of the invention, please insert the following new paragraph:

This application is a reissue of 09/272,916, filed March 19, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,255,309, issued July 3, 2001, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) to International Application No. PCT/US98/05615, filed March 23, 1998.

Applicant respectfully submits that the above new paragraph complies with 37 CFR 1.173(b)(1) and 1.173 (d) as the amendments to the specification have been made by submission of the entire text of the added or rewritten paragraph and the matter to be added by reissue is shown in underline.